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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please enter this Preliminary Amendment as follows:

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On page 4, line 12, please delete "Applications Serial".

On page 4, lines 13-14, please delete "08/580,980 , and Application Serial No.  
08/479,328, filed on June 7, 1995 and January 3, 1996, respectively" and insert --5,698,396--  
therefor.

On page 4, line 14, please delete "All three" and insert --Both-- therefor.

On page 6, line 5, please delete "with the IgG then interacting".

On page 6, line 19, please delete "allowed U.S. Patent Application Serial No.  
08/479,328" and insert --U.S. Patent 5,698,396-- therefor.

On page 9, line 18, please delete "300-400" and insert --300 to 400-- therefor.

On page 10, line 1, please delete "screening" and insert --screened-- therefor.

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On page 11, line 2, please delete "wherein," and insert --, wherein-- therefor.